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Programmes of the Festivities For Night and Day.

THE EXERCISES FULL OF INTEREST

Begin Tonight With a Banquet—The Excursion to Fort Riley.

Topeka seems to have been fairly captured by the wearers of a golden triangle and the keystone that bears such mysterious letters.

The twenty-ninth convocation of the general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons of the United States is in active session and you cannot walk a block at any time without meeting badges green and badges red that signify the wearers as delegates from somewhere to the most dignified assemblage Topeka has perhaps ever seen.

The convocation is on today in earnest. The general grand council of the royal and select masters has been in session at the Masonic temple on Jackson street.

This evening the Royal Arch Masons take up the programme and begin with a banquet which will be given to the general grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons by the companions of Topeka Chapter No. 5, assisted by the ladies, at 8 o'clock at Masonic temple.

The Topeka chapter was chartered October 18, 1866. Its present officers are: Will C. Chaffee, high priest; Charles J. Webb, king; Silas L. Seabrook, scribe; past grand high priest, Thomas J. Anderson; Silas E. Sheldon, Andrew M. Callahan and Rector G. Brown.

Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock the officers and members of the general grand chapter will assemble at the headquarters at the Copeland, where carriages will be in waiting to take them to the Grand opera house, where the programme will be as follows: Robert E. Nickels, grand high priest, presiding; Music.

Invocation by Rev. Francis M. Porch, Music.

Address of welcome on behalf of the Royal Arch Masons of Kansas, by Owen A. Bassett, past grand high priest.

Response by George L. McCahan of Baltimore, deputy and acting general grand high priest.

Address of welcome on behalf of the Masons of Kansas, by George W. Clark, grand master.

Response by Reuben C. Lennon, general grand king.

Address of welcome on behalf of the citizens of Topeka, by Companion Thomas W. Harrison, mayor.

Response by James W. Taylor, general grand scribe.

Music.

At twelve o'clock, noon, the convocation of the general grand chapter will convene at the temple.

At 3 o'clock the ladies accompanying the members of the general grand chapter will be present to see about the city, and that will be followed by a collation at the Throop.

The much looked forward to excursion to Junction City and Fort Riley occurs on Thursday. It is expected that at least four hundred invited guests will go on this excursion. The train will leave the Union Pacific depot in North Topeka at exactly 8 o'clock Thursday morning, and will reach Fort Riley before 10.

The programme that has been arranged for the entertainment of the visitors is as follows: Brevet Brigadier General James W. Forsythe, colonel Seventh United States cavalry, commanding, commencing at 10 o'clock.

Artillery drill.

Dismounted guard mounting with band.

Drill of the hospital corps.

Mounted cavalry parade.

Cavalry drill.

Luncheon will be served at the post mess hall at two o'clock p. m. The band will give a concert during and after luncheon, and vocal music will be furnished by the Meade club.

The train will leave Fort Riley at five o'clock for Junction City, where the visitors will be taken in charge by Junction City chapter No. 17.

There will be a carriage drive followed by supper at the Masonic temple, at half past six o'clock. The train will leave for Topeka at eight o'clock p. m.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Items of Interest About Topeka People and Visitors in Town.

Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Auter entertained a company of friends on Saturday evening. The guest of honor was Mrs. Wilford Sheldon of Galveston, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lyons and baby left for Emporia Sunday.

Adolph Langfield of Chicago is visiting his father.

T. L. King is very ill at his home on East Eighth street.

Frank Claypool of Ottawa is spending a few days with Will Trump.

Mrs. Harry Ammen of Chicago is the guest of Miss Edith Cole.

Conductor D. N. Myers' wife and children will leave for Topeka for an extended visit through Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Vancloves of St. Marys, are visiting friends in the city.

Mrs. Bert Metrick returned to her home in Galveston, Texas, yesterday, after a three weeks' visit here.

Miss Carrie Metrick will start Thursday for a trip to Galveston, Texas.

John R. Mulvane left Saturday for a trip through Wisconsin.

Byrd Prescott returned yesterday from Omaha accompanied by Mrs. Rhodes and her son Seth.

Miss Serena Van Hook has returned from a visit in the country.

Dr. and Mrs. U. B. McCurdy were called to Hutchinson yesterday by the illness of Mrs. McCurdy's father.

Mrs. N. J. Bardick returned Saturday last from a six weeks' visit at Colorado Springs and Denver.

Mrs. Harry Overholt, Mrs. S. Nichols, Mrs. Seabrook, and Mrs. Will Webb, will return this week from Eagle Springs.

Miss Mame Hollis left today for Chicago.

Ed Curry went to Seattle, Washington, today.

Miss Florence Babcock, who has been visiting the Misses Penick, has returned to her home in Nortonville.

Misses Maude and Mabel Barnes who have been visiting friends in Lawrence, will return home Saturday.

Mrs. E. A. Mason left today for Indianapolis to visit.

Dana McVicar is visiting with friends in Independence, Kas.

Chas. N. Rix a former resident of Topeka for twelve years, now living in Hot Springs, Ark., is in the city. Mr.

Rix is cashier in the First National bank at Little Rock, and also president of the state banking association.

Mrs. James Stauffer and daughters Helen and Mame, went to Colorado yesterday.

Fred Popence leaves Tuesday for the Pacific coast.

Mrs. Judge Bergen will entertain a few friends tonight.

Mrs. J. M. Brannock and son, Walter, of Kansas City are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Whiteker, 1434 Lincoln street.

Mrs. Shakeshaft and niece Gladys, will sail from Southampton September 1st for their home in this city after an absence of three months.

Geo. W. Parkhurst and family will return from Colorado tomorrow.

Burr Lakin is visiting in Colorado.

Miss Nellie Lincoln and Misses Rea and Mabel Conner gave a party last evening in honor of Miss Nellie's birthday. The lawn of both houses, which adjoin, were adorned with Japanese lanterns. Nearly fifty guests were present.

C. A. Hubbard left today for Newton.

Mrs. Henry Daves and son of Newton, are spending a few days with Mrs. N. J. Burdick at 1928 Harrison street.

A surprise party was given Mr. George Weaver last evening at his home, 510 Center street, it being his 22nd birthday. Those participating in the many enjoyments of the evening were: Thomas Weaver and wife, Mrs. Weaver and family, Mrs. Della Williams, Mrs. Leoda Ogilvie, Misses Sallie and Maude Ogilvie, Eva McAdoo, Rosa Williams, Ada Anson, Messrs. George McAdoo, Oscar Over, George Graham, Willie Graham, Simon Jordan, Will Rucker and James Knowlin.

A party of young folks gave a street car ride last evening in honor of Miss Belle Ashley of Kansas City. The party was chaperoned by Mr. and Mrs. Blanche Pitts.

SNAP SHOTS AT HOME NEWS.

Little drops of wetness.

Little chunks of rain.

Come to spoil calamity.

And save the corn again.

The spell has been broken—so has the record.

The Santa Fe shop employees are being paid this afternoon.

The Labor day parade is advertised to "move promptly at 9:30."

General Artz is in Denver at present, mingling his tears with Tarney's.

A Topeka man went out and stood in the rain last night "just to see how it would feel."

Three Topeka young men who rode to Denver on their bicycles, arrived at home again yesterday.

The Methodists at Rossville are going to enlarge their church, and put in a large gothic window.

A drunken man attracted a crowd on Kansas avenue last evening. He read original Populist poems.

A bicycle which was stolen from North Topeka two weeks ago yesterday, has been found at Rossville.

The Sixth street viaduct seems to be a favorite trysting place for love lorn couples of a certain class.

Handed in: "The night piano is a nuisance in a neighborhood of hard working men and women."

The sanitary officers say that when people have complaints to make, they should make them to the officers.

You have heard the pie joke? Well a Topeka man actually broke a tooth out on a restaurant sandwich yesterday.

Each member of the police force is now allowed one day in the week in which to rest, equivalent to Sunday.

The Pennsylvania Soldiers' association of Kansas will go to the National encampment at Pittsburg over the Santa Fe.

At the next meeting of the Young Men's Republican club, the work of the club in the fall campaign will be planned.

Captain J. G. Waters has been employed to assist in the prosecution of the Osborns in the Hamble murder case at Holton.

A hole was broken in the floor of the Kansas avenue bridge yesterday afternoon by a herd of cattle passing over the old structure.

Two Topeka rivals called on the same girl last evening. They were good natured about it and flipped dollars to see which would stay.

Topeka avenue has its joint also. It is away down at the south end of the street and is in an upstairs room. A young man runs it.

Max Clardy, chief marshal of labor day, has appointed four aides. They are J. W. Blevins, P. B. Colville, George Rause and Charles Figg.

The south wall of the building occupied by Parkhurst, Davis & Co. are being propped up while the upper floor of the building is being repaired.

Major T. J. Anderson says the late spell of weather has been unusually dry; but he can remember when it rained late in August and didn't rain any more that year.

"Badad," said one of the stone workers at the corner house this morning, "I do beez readin' their four hundred Masons comin' to Topeky. It's the importation av furin' labor I object to."

ESCAPED FROM THE JAIL.

Two Prisoners Make a Successful "Get-Away" From Jailers Burdage.

Two prisoners confined in the Shawnee county jail escaped at sundown last evening. They were Dennis Campbell and William Halford. They are both young men, the former in for selling liquor and Halford for burglary.

Campbell had served about seventy-five days of his time and had been a trusty for nearly a week. About 7 o'clock he left the office and never came back. About the same time Halford left the jail with a bucket in his hand, saying he was going into the yard. He also failed to show up at bedtime.

There appears to be little doubt that the escape was a pre-arranged scheme between the two prisoners. Their good behavior heretofore had tended to throw the jailer off his guard. The sheriff is looking for Campbell and Halford, but is satisfied that they got out of town before the real nature of their absence was discovered.

Not long ago Campbell made an effort to get out of the county jail through the board of county commissioners on a proposition to pay his fine on the installment plan. The proposition was rejected.

Mr. Appleyard, the proprietor of the woolen mill, has arrived with his family. He says he expects to have the mill running within sixty days.

STEVENSON & COMPANY.

Dry Goods Slaughtered! Everybody Come. Bring Your Neighbors and Tell Your Friends. Come Early and Get the Best of Them.

4c

2000 yards fine 4-4 Brown Muslin, well worth 6 1/2c yd. Will sell this lot for 4c yd.

5c

2000 yards fine 4-4 Bleached Muslin, never sold for less than 8c yd. Our sale price is 5c yard.

8 1/2c

500 yards fine Percalé, styles and colorings fully equal to the French Pen-ange. Regular value 12 1/2c; cut price 8 1/2c.

9c

900 yards Drap'd Havanne. This is a beautiful printed fabric, 32 in. wide, in stripes, checks and figures; sold earlier in the season for 15c yd; come and get them now at 9c.

6 1/2c

5000 yards Dark Outing Cloths; price should be 12 1/2 cents; sale price 6 1/2c.

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15 dozen Honey Comb Towels, size 17x36 inches, real value 10c each. How many do you want at 6 1/2c?

12 1/2c

25 dozen Belfast Towels. These are cotton towels, double and twisted yarn, size 18x40, just the thing for the bath room. Would be a fine value at 18c; your choice at 12 1/2c.

21c

200 yds. Turkey Red Table Damask. You pay elsewhere 30c yard for same quality; buy what you want of them at 21c.

29c

250 yds. Turkey Red Table Damask; you can not match it for less than 50c; our price on this lot will be 29 cents.

47c

275 yds. Bleached Table Linen, equal to any 60c quality in the state, to go at 47c.

59c

265 yds. Bleached Table Linen, a leading special for this sale, positively worth 75c per yard, will be placed on sale at 59c.

33c

200 yds. Heavy Unbleached Table Linen, considered a great bargain at 40c, you can have it at 33c.

38c

250 yds. Heavy Unbleached Table Linen, worth 50c. This is called a snap—and you should not miss it at 38 cents.

Dress Goods DEPARTMENT.

Last Call on Wash Goods.

This is the last week that we shall devote to our Clearance Sale of Wash Goods, as next week we shall call your attention to our new arrivals in Foreign and Domestic Wool Goods.

We received on Saturday some delayed shipments of Cotton Goods, which we must sell this week and will make very low prices to accomplish it.

7 1/2c

1000 yds. Berkshire Organdies, exceptional value and worth fully 12 1/2c. We will sell for 7 1/2c.

17c

500 yds. of Magpie Lawn 40 inches wide, the regular price of which should be 25c; they go in this sale at 17 cents.

We have also received in Fall Cotton Goods, (dark colors), New Ducks and New Pekin Cloths. Give this department a call and see the many things we are closing at WAY DOWN PRICES.

12 1/2c

Beautiful styles, finest quality, dark or light colors in half wool Challies, regular 22c quality, but this week they go for 12 1/2c.

85c

Ladies' black and white Satine Skirts, \$1.19 quality at 85 cents.

\$1.47

Ladies' fast black Satine Skirts, \$2 quality at \$1.47.

\$1.73

Ladies' Colored Satine Skirts, \$2.50 quality at \$1.73.

Immense reductions in Ladies' Muslin Underwear, Night Dresses, Corset Covers, etc. You can save money by purchasing any of the above goods at the cut prices this week.

Carpet DEPARTMENT.

55c

We have placed on sale this week 25 pieces of the BEST quality of all wool Ingrain Carpets. Want to make room for our new fall patterns; have marked them so low that they will move quickly; regular 75c quality, you can have your pick at 55 cents.

25c

10 doz. All Silk Windsor Ties, a very handsome range of colors; these are full 6 inches wide and 40 inches long, hemstitched ends, never before sold for less than 35c, your choice at 25 cents.

MAIL ORDERS WILL RECEIVE CAREFUL AND PROMPT ATTENTION,

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Dry Goods, Carpets & Millinery.

SUSAN B. WRITES US.

A Letter From Miss Anthony on Kansas Matters.

PARTY AFFILIATIONS OF THE WOMEN.

Miss Anthony Says Only \$5,000 Has Been Forwarded for the Kansas Campaign So Far.

Susan B. Anthony is coming to Kansas and will spend the entire month of October talking for the equal suffrage amendment in this state.

In a letter to the editor of this paper, Miss Anthony says all the money contributed by the women of the east to the Kansas suffrage campaign, was ordered sent to Harriet Taylor Upton, at Warren, Ohio.

At the last report but \$5,000 had been forwarded to the Kansas campaign managers; no \$30,000 had been raised as was reported.

As to the suffrage campaign managers' political affiliations, Miss Anthony says: "That Mrs. Johns is a staunch Republican as Mrs. Diggs is a staunch Populist—no one denies. That Miss Shaw and Miss Anthony are neither Republicans nor Populists no one can seem to believe, any more than they can comprehend that the question of the freedom and the franchise for one-half the people of Kansas, far transcends in importance every question now at issue between the two great parties of the state."

"It is because Miss Shaw and Miss Anthony hate and loathe the trusts, combines and monopolies that they strike their heaviest blows against the arch fiend of them all,—that of the combine of 'male citizens,' which reigns supreme, not only in Kansas, but in all of the forty-four states of the union, save only those of Wyoming and Colorado! If the male politicians of Kansas were vying with each other to see which could win the largest number of votes for the overthrow of this mammoth monopoly of male citizens, instead of trying to incite the victims of their combination to jealousies and rivalries, they would be doing vastly more to prove themselves worthy of belonging to the chivalric sex."

"I cannot speak for Miss Shaw, but I can for Miss Anthony, and I say for her that she stands ready to speak in any and every political party meeting in Kansas during the month of October—not excepting those of the Democratic party. Indeed she would greatly prefer to preach the gospel of 'equal rights to woman' to Democratic audiences, because it is more needed there, where their party leaders have so emphatically declared against the great principle of 'equal rights to all.'"

"As yet she has received no invitation from any of the state committees save that of the People's party. What she most wishes is to get the word spoken before the voters, and as the rank and file of them attend only the meetings of their respective political parties she hopes each and every campaign speaker—man and woman—will remember not to forget to advocate the amendment. Our one hope of carrying it lies in the educational work done in the political campaign meetings of the different parties of the state during the months of September and October. So I pray the friends everywhere—of all parties—to demand of their speakers and orators that they advocate the amendment and urge every true and loyal man to vote for it and so help to establish in Kansas a genuine Republican commonwealth."

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